

FISCAL NOTE

SB 625 - HB 650

March 22, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prevents persons convicted of a felony under any state or federal law or convicted of any misdemeanor involving moral turpitude under any state or federal law from holding an elementary or secondary education teaching license. If a person possessing a license is subsequently convicted of any state or federal felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, such person's license to teach shall immediately be revoked and shall not be reinstated.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Present law requires local education agencies to obtain background checks on teacher applicants before employment, with the teacher applicant bearing the cost. Assumes the background check provides sufficient information to determine the employment of such applicant.

Currently, persons who have been convicted of non-sexual felonies are allowed to hold licenses as long as they have fulfilled their terms of punishment and have disclosed the information to their employer/local school system.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Davenport".

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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